modern digital Scheme commissioned in, March, 1991.

(b) and (c). Question does not arise.

Branch Post Office In Trichur District

3982. PROF. SHRIMAT SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN: Will the Mnister of COMMUNCATONS be pleased to state:

(a) wether the government propose to open branch Post Offices in Trichur district of Kerala especially at Sreenarayanapuram village;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). It is proposed to open three extra departmental branch post offices in Trichur district, subject to justification during 1991-92 at

(i) Adurtrichur,

(ii) Munakkakadavu and

(iii) Thandillam

There is, however, no proposal to open extra departmental post offices at Sreenarayanapuram during the current year.

[*Translation*]

Hydro Power Projects in Bihar

3983. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small and big hydro power projects in the flood prone districts of northern Bihar and the number of those which have been completed and which are still under construction;

(b) whether the Government propose to start more new projects in the said areas;

(c) if so, the total amount proposed for this purpose; and

(d) the progress made so far regarding these projects and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES(SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) In North Bihar, Kosi Hydel Project with an installed capacity of 4 x 5=20 MW in the district of Saharsa is under operation and Eastern Gandak Canal Hydre-electric Project with an installed capacity of 3X5=15 MW in district of west Champaran is under construction and is scheduled for commissioning during 1992-93.

(b) to (d). At present no Hydro-electric Project of North Bihar is pending for techno-economic clearance in Central Electricity Authority. However, the project report for Tribeni Link Canal H. E. Project 2x1,65=3.3 MW in West Champaran District of North Bihar was examined in Central electricity Authority and returned to Bihar Hydro-electric Power corporation in February, 1990 with a request to resubmit the project report after reviewing all the features in order to reduce the cost of generation.

Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices In Barabanki district of Uttar Pradesh

3984. SHRI RAM SAGAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the number and the details of Post Offices and sub-post offices proposed to be opened by Government in the Barabanki district of Uttar Pradesh during 1991-92?